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SMALL SOUTH MACKEREL FLEET

At Present Not Over
20 Crafts are Certain
of Going.
List of the Vessels
and Skippers Now
Carded to Engage.

Judging from the present outlook, the fleet of vessels that will go south seining this year in pursuit of the elusive mackerel will be smaller than last year and undoubtedly the smallest in the history of the southern branch of the mackerel fishery less than 20 crafts being certain of going to date.

Of this number probably not over seven or eight will get away early, which this year will be the first week in April, while the others will follow later and others probably not wait until Newport time and perhaps fit then for the late trip south and the Cape Shore combined.

The dates of the first sailing last season was March 25 and the year previous March 11, but this spring the first craft to get away will probably be at least a week or so later than last year.

Among the likely early sailers will be schs. Saladin, Monarch, Constellation, Clintonia, Ralph L. Hall and Arthur James. These vessels will be ready within a few days and are looking spic and span with their spars scraped, topmasts set and fresh painting.

After an absence from this port since early in the season of 1910, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan will again command the sch. Constellation and is due most any day from his home in Virginia. His craft is fitting and orders have been sent by Capt. Morgan to have his seines ready by March 25, although he will probably not get away until April 1.

While the fleet as decided upon to date is quite small, of course there are conditions under which it will be enlarged. As one well known skipper remarked yesterday: "It all depends upon what the boys find out south as to whether some of us will fit, or wait

until the Cape Shore spurt. Should the fish strike out south, there is no doubt but the fleet would be substantially enlarged by some of the crafts that are now engaged in the fresh market fishery."

Just a year ago last week the first mackerel to be caught for 1911 was taken in a trap out south. Nothing so far has been heard of fish showing up which might be counted upon as a prospect, although it would not be surprising to learn any day that the schools are showing.

In the meanwhile, the skippers and men are anxiously waiting for the first bit of welcome news and optimistic hopes are being entertained for a good season.

Schooners Which Will Fit For Southern Fishery.

The following is a list of the crafts, as far as is known to date of those that will engage in the fishery, with perhaps a few others on the last end.
Sch. Lucania, Capt. Martin L. Welch.
Sch. Sylvania, Capt. Lemuel Firth.
Sch. Saladin, Capt. John Matheson.
Sch. Monarch, Capt. John F. Vautier.
Sch. Aloha, Capt. Wallace Parsons.
Sch. Constellation, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan.
Sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Reuben Cameron.
Sch. Clintonia, Capt. Ralph Webber.
Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Charles Maguire.
Sch. Pinta, Capt. Douglass McLean.
Sch. Ralph Hall, Capt. Frank Hall.
Sch. Victor, Capt. John McFarland.
Sch. Veda M. McKown, Capt. Norman A. Ross.
Sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine.
Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, Capt. Joshua W. Stanley.
Sch. Diana, Capt. Elroy Prior.
New schooner building for Capt. John Chisholm, Capt. Wallace Bruce.

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PRETTY DULL, PLENTY FISH.

BULK OF FARES AT T WHARF
TODAY TO GO TO
SPLITERS.

Boston had an even dozen of arrivals this morning, included in the list being four more of the off shore fleet with big fares of haddock and cod.

Owing to the dull market, it is quite likely that none of them will take off their hatches but will come here during the day to split.

Schs. Conqueror with 103,000 pounds, Jeanette, 120,000 pounds, Raymah, 110,000 pounds and Muriel, 85,000 pounds are among the large trips reported.

Off shore haddock was quoted at \$1.25 a hundred weight and shore haddock, \$3. Large cod sold at \$2 to \$2.50, market cod, \$2 and hake, \$1.50 to \$2.25.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Edmund S. Black, 500 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake, 7000 cusk.
Sch. Georgiana, 600 cod.
Sch. Raymah, 40,000 haddock, 70,000 cod.
Sch. Conqueror, 95,000 haddock, 8000 cod.
Sch. Jeanette, 30,000 haddock, 90,000 cod.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 7000 haddock, 1800 cod.
Sch. Rose Standish, 6500 haddock, 1600 cod, 1500 hake, 500 cusk.
Sch. Esther Gray, 2900 cod.
Sch. Dixie.
Sch. Muriel, 15,000 haddock, 70,000 cod.
Sch. George H. Lube, 1500 haddock, 800 cod, 5500 hake.
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, 1500 haddock, 1700 cod, 6000 hake, 4000 cusk.
Haddock, \$1.25 to \$3; large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50, market cod, \$2; hake, \$1.50 to \$2.25.

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HIGH BID FOR HERRING RIGHTS.

The Agawam and Half-Way Pond river herring catching privilege for the current year was sold at auction yesterday for \$1050 to George McClellan Besse of East Wareham, the purchaser last year. Not more than twice in a quarter century has the price reached so high a figure. Last year, when Mr. Besse had little opposition, his bid that took the catch was only \$110.

The Agawam and Half-Way Pond river herring privilege is owned jointly by the towns of Wareham and Plymouth, and the auction of the privilege today was conducted under the supervision of the joint boards of fish inspectors for those towns.

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Small Trout Die When Hooked.

Fish Commissioners Butler, of Pennsylvania, says that when a trout less than six inches in size is caught, removed from the hook and then thrown back into the water it invariably dies. Where the fisherman's hand comes in contact with the trout it injures the fish so that in a short time a fungus begins to grow, which in due time spreads to the entire fish and kills it, so throwing a fish back into the water no matter how well meant, does not save the trout. This has been proved time and again. A trout affected with this fungus is unfit to eat, and fishermen throw them away.

Highly Prized Food Fish.

In Japan bonito are a highly prized food fish. The flesh is dried. The "Journal" of the Fisheries Society of Japan says the annual output of this fish amounts in value to between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. These fish are caught in warm currents from April to October by hook and line, 20 to 30 fishermen embarking in one fishing boat, taking with them anchovy or sardines for bait. During one fishing season the catch by a single boat reached nearly \$20,000.

Good Stock.

Sch. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey stocked \$2306.93 from her haddock trip this week, the crew's share being \$45.52 a piece.

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CERTIFIED MASTERS AND MATES

Not Necessary on
Canadian Fishing
Craft if Hazen Bill
Passes.

A heavy burden is to be lifted from Nova Scotia fishermen, if the Hazen bill now before the Canadian Parliament providing that certified masters and mates shall not be required on vessels less than 100 tons registered, is passed.

The principal necessity for the change said Minister Hazen in introducing this measure, arises out of the very great change which has taken place of late years with regard to the way in which the fishing industry is conducted.

Today nearly all the fishing vessels on the Atlantic coast and, to some extent, on the lakes and the Pacific coast as well, are propelled not alone by sale as was the case in days gone by, but by auxiliary power furnished by gasoline engines, and with the law as it is at the present time nearly all these vessels are being operated in violation of the law because the law requires that vessels of over ten tons shall have properly certified engineers.

A the law stands it would be a very great hardship upon the fishermen, who find that the auxiliary power afforded to them by the gasoline en-

gine is of very great assistance to them enabling them to make their runs to and from the fishing grounds with a great deal more certainty and with a great deal less labor than was the case when they depended upon sails and upon the wind.

In addition to that there is no such number of certified engineers even if the fishermen were able to pay them for services to be obtained as would be necessary for the purpose of serving as engineers on board these boats.

The minister further noted that many of these auxiliary propelled ships are not employed solely in fishing. If they were they would be exempt under the present law from having a certified master in charge. They are engaged in fishing for three, six or nine months in the year and after that they carry freight between the small ports in the maritime provinces.

He also noted that at present if a master or mate loses his certificate the fee for replacing it is unduly heavy. It is proposed to reduce this. The resolution was passed and the bill introduced.

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The Norway Cod Catch.

Figures furnished by Norway government statisticians show the number of codfish caught by Norway vessels up to March 1 was 12,300,000 against 3,000,000 last year, 4,800,000 in 1910, and 4,800,000 in 1909. Of this quantity there has been hung for round fish so far 4,400,000, against 1,000,000 in 1911, 2,400,000, against 1,000,000 in 1910, 2,400,000 in 1910, and 2,600,000 in 1909.

Fishing in Norway started earlier than usual. The weight of the fish is rather light but prices paid for the fresh fish are high, in fact, higher than was anticipated. Of the first catches only a small part is hung for stockfish. Most of it is made into klipfish for the Latin markets.

Notice To Mariners.

Notice of the following changes were given out yesterday by the Hydrographic Office: A first-class spar is to be established soon to mark a ledge with 4 1/4 fathoms of water over it in Boston upper harbor, in channel below Chelsea bridge, dredged to a depth of five fathoms. The characteristics of lights on Common Fence Point shoal gas buoy No. 2 is to be changed about April 1 from fixed red to white occulting thus: light 5 seconds, eclipse 5 seconds. Patience island gas buoy 2 1/2 will be changed from fixed white to white occulting thus: light 5 seconds, eclipse 5 seconds.

Capt. Manuel Costa Dead.

The flags of the vessels at T wharf today are floating at half mast in memory of the late Capt. Manuel Costa, a well known skipper and former commander of sch. Jessie Costa, who died at his home in Winthrop yesterday.

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A BREATHING SPELL TODAY.

LET UP ON TRIPS DOWN TO
SPLIT, BUT MORE ARE
COMING.

Only one arrival was at this port this forenoon, sch. Harriet coming down from Boston with 100,000 pounds of fresh fish, left over from yesterday, which are being taken out to split.

Owing to the storm of yesterday, none of the gasoline boats of the gill netting fleet were out. The steamers, however, got a lift and brought in about 22,000 pounds, which were iced and shipped to Boston.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Harriett, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Nomad, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Bethulla, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Geisha, gill netting, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Genesta, shore.
Sch. Yankee, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Arethusa, haddocking.
Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.
Sch. Waldo L. Stream, halibuting.
Sch. Oregon, Grand Banks, N. F.
Sch. Hattie L. Trask, Georges.
Sch. Regina, Boston.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt., medium, \$4.50, snappers, \$3.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.75, mediums, \$4.25.
Haddock, \$1.50.
Pollock, \$1.50.
Cusk, large, \$2.50, medium, \$2, snappers, \$1.50.
Hake, \$1.50.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.
Peak cod, large, \$2.15, medium, \$1.75, snappers, 75 cts.
Western cod, large, \$2.25, mediums, \$1.85, snappers, 75 cts.
All codfish not gilled, 10 cts. per 100 pounds less than the above.
Cusk, large, \$1.50, medium, \$1.20, snappers, 60 cts.
Bank halibut, 10 1-4c per lb. for white and 8 1-4c for gray.

Bait Prices.

Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.
Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.
Shore frozen herring, \$2 to \$3 per bbl.
Frozen squid, \$3.75 per cwt.

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Portland Fish Notes.

The following trips of fish were reported Wednesday: Sadie Nunan, 4000; Albert W. Black, 4000; Hockomock, 12,000 and Mary E. Sennett, 5000. The trip of the Hockomock is about the largest one of the local fleet that has been landed here in some time.

Made Big Stock.

Sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson stocked \$2800 as the result of her recent haddocking trip, her crew sharing \$62 to a man.

Japan's Fishermen.

Japan has 810,717 fishermen who use 427,685 fishing boats in the industry.

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AND STILL THEY KEEP COMING.

T WHARF HAS ANOTHER INFLUX
OF BIG FARES THIS
MORNING.

The arrivals at T wharf this morning, consist of 13 fares, nine of the crafts being from off shore with some more of those big trips which have been landed each day at the dock during the week.

The trade still remains dull, the dealers having enough on hand this morning to supply the Friday's trade, consequently there was no lively buying and prices took another drop.

The off-shore fares are schs. Lucania, Capt. Martin Welch, 103,000 pounds; Matthew S. Greer, 110,000 pounds; Eugenia, 100,000 pounds; Ellen C. Burke, 75,000 pounds; Ethel E. Penney 51,000 pounds; Aspinet, 65,000 pounds; Diana, 85,000 pounds, and the steam trawlers Foam and Spray with 26,000 pounds and 27,000 pounds each.

Haddock sold at \$1.10 to \$2.50 a hundred weight; large cod, \$2 to \$2.50; market cod, \$1.60 to \$2.50; hake, \$2 to \$3; and pollock, \$2 to \$3.50.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:
Sch. Alice, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Eugenia, 70,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.
Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 15,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1500 hake.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 30,000 haddock, 45,000 cod.
Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 20,000 haddock, 31,000 cod.
Str. Foam, 19,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Dixie, 3500 cod.
Str. Spray, 24,000 haddock, 3000 cod.
Sch. Lucania, 60,000 haddock, 43,000 cod.
Sch. Aspinet, 30,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 3000 hake, 7000 cusk, 300 halibut.
Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 70,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.
Sch. Diana, 35,000 haddock, 50,000 cod.
Sch. Louisa R. Sylvia, 1000 haddock, 300 cod, 1500 hake.
Haddock, \$1.10 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2 to \$2.50; market cod, \$1.60 to \$2.50; halibut, 15 cts. per lb. for white and gray; hake, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$2 to \$3.50.

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WILL DEFINE REAL "BLOATER"

LOCAL SHIPPERS INTERESTED IN
CASE BEFORE PURE FOOD
BOARD.

The seizure of small consignment of smoked herring in New York from Maine, marked "bloaters", which it is contended by the pure food department were not properly marked, will probably result in a more definite ruling as to what a bloater is.

A Washington despatch says that Frederick H. Tarr, representing the fish packers of this city, appeared before the Pure Food Board of the Department of Agriculture yesterday on the matter of marking herring. The board has ruled that herring cannot be marked as bloaters unless they are large herring, prepared for immediate use.

The Gloucester local packers maintain that a herring to be sold as a bloater must have been smoked, but that size does not enter into the question. The board has taken the matter under advisement and will report at an early date.

Indications are favorable, it is said, that the question will be satisfactorily adjusted to all concerned, as the methods on the shipment of bloaters are no different now than they have been for the past 40 or 50 years.

STR. QUODDY HAD 12,000.

GILL NETTERS ARE NOW BRING-
ING IN SOME FINE
CATCHES.

Quite a bunch of haddockers came down from Boston yesterday, being unable to dispose of their fares up there and were disposed of to the splitters.

They are schs. Rob Roy, 70,000 pounds; Muriel, 75,000 pounds; Onato, 70,000 pounds; Matthew S. Greer, 90,000 pounds; Jeanette, 90,000 pounds; Ellen C. Burke, 70,000 pounds; Maud H. Silva, 70,000 pounds; Eugenia, 25,000 pounds.

Sch. Norma arrived yesterday from Georges with a headline fare, of about 20,000 pounds of salt cod.

The gill netters had a nice day's fishing yesterday and landed about 65,000 pounds. Steamer Quoddy again led the fleet with 10,000 pounds, while the Naomi Bruce also had a nice trip of 9000 pounds.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Norma, Georges, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Raymah, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Muriel, via Boston, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Onato, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Matthew S. Greer, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Jeanette, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Ellen C. Burke, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Maud H. Silva, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Alice, gill netting, 1100 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Eagle, gill netting, 1300 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Mindora, gill netting, 3200 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 2200 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 5500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 6400 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Nomad, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Bethulia, gill netting, 5500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Hope, gill netting, 2600 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Geisha, gill netting, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Eugenia, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Blanche F. Irving, shore.
Sch. Edmund F. Black, shore.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.
Sch. Cherokee, shore.
Sch. Gracie, shore.
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Gov. Foss, haddocking.
Sch. Harriet, haddocking.
Sch. Cynthia, haddocking.
Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, haddocking.
Sch. Moocanam, haddocking.
Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, haddocking.
Sch. Genesta, haddocking.
Sch. Stiletto, haddocking.
Sch. Speculator, haddocking.
Sch. Little Fannie, haddocking.
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, haddocking.
Sch. Catherine Burke, halibuting.
Sch. Monitor, halibuting.
Sch. Rena A. Percy, halibuting.
Sch. W. H. Moody, Georges handling.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

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Headline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt., medium, \$4.50, snappers, \$3.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.75, mediums, \$4.25.
Haddock, \$1.50.
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T DOCK ALL BUT DESERTED.

ONLY TWO LITTLE SMOKE
BOATS IN THERE THIS
MORNING.

The week ended very poorly at Boston this morning, only two shore boats being at the dock with 5200 pounds between them.

Most of the off shore arrivals yesterday sailed for this port, only a small amount of their fares being taken by the T wharf dealers. Trade for the week has been dull, although a better market is looked for the coming week.

Prices on shore fish this morning were \$1.30 to \$3.35 a hundred weight, cod, \$3.40 to \$3.60 and pollock, \$3.

Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 3500 cod.
Sch. Massasoit, 1700 cod.
Haddock, \$1.30 to \$3.35 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.40 to \$3.60; pollock, \$3.

"THAD" MORGAN HAS ARRIVED.

Capt. Thaddeus Morgan who will command the sch. Constellation in the southern mackerel fishery, arrived from Virginia yesterday afternoon to take charge of his craft. It is nearly two years since Capt. Morgan left here and needless to say he was gladly welcomed back by his host of friends and admirers.

NONE IN FAVOR.

The Voice Of Maine Is Emphatically
Against the Steam Trawlers.

From all points along the Maine coast comes word that the bill to prohibit beam trawling is meeting with favor, says the Portland Daily Press. It will be remembered that this was introduced into the United States House of Representatives by Congressman Gardner of Massachusetts and that it is designed to put a stop to the wholesale slaughter of fish by this method.

The fishermen have been emphatic in their views of the matter. They declare that as the beam trawler operates off shore, the fish will be all caught before they can come upon the shoals and the livelihood of the average fisherman would be cut off. Hardly a voice in favor of the measure has been raised in Maine.

With the sentiment aroused as it now is, the leading dealers and others are anxiously awaiting word telling of the date of the hearing. When this is held, there will be a large representation of men from Boston and Gloucester attend and some will also go from Portland. Even if the dealers and fishermen have no immediate representatives at the proceedings, they feel that their interests will be cared for by the Massachusetts men.

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Mackerel Notes.

Through a typographical error in the list of the southern seining fleet, it appeared that sch. Diana would be commanded by Capt. Elroy Prior, when as a matter of fact, Capt. James McLean will command the craft. Capt. Elroy Prior will command his own craft, sch. Effie M. Prior as usual.
The first arrival of the fleet last year was sch. Victor, Capt. John McFarland, who landed 450 large fish at Delaware breakwater, May 1.
The earliest arrival on record is March 22, 1881.

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JAPAN USES PURSE SEINE.

Twenty years ago the purse seine was for the first time, adopted for fishing in Japan, says the Journal of the Fisheries Society of Japan. The practice was modeled after that followed in America. At present as many as 500 of these seines are used by sardine fisheries in various parts of the country. Sardines form one of the most important sea products in Japan, the annual output reaching \$4,000,000. Sardine fishing was done formerly by means of a ground seine together with a gill net and drifter. Within recent years the number of sardine near the shore has decreased, so fishing was started on the coast, in which the American method of using the purse seine was followed, the ring in the pocket has been improved, producing a net, which is generally known as the improved purse seine. The purse seine is extensively used along the Pacific coast of Japan, the western coast of the Sea of Japan, and the Inland Bay of Seto. The fish are prepared as food, but they are also used as a fertilizer and also as material for fish oil.

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WILL SETTLE CLAIMS NEXT FALL.

Gloucester Very Much
Interested in Coming
Tribunal Sitting.

Under the Hague award it was provided that any other outstanding difference between Great Britain and the United States, besides those of the fisheries, which were settled at that tribunal, should be disposed of by a special arbitration board of three members.

This board is to meet at Washington next autumn. The chief matters are pecuniary accounts between Canada and the United States, some of them more than one hundred years old.

Among the accounts referred to are the claim of Capt. Edward Morris of the sch. Frederick Gerring, Jr., that was seized on the Nova Scotia coast and several others of Gloucester firms and skippers, amounting to many thousands of dollars.

W. F. O'Connor, K. C., of Halifax, has been appointed counsel on behalf of Canadian claims. He leaves for Ottawa today where some two months will be spent in preparing a case for the arbitration board, the personnel of which has not yet been decided upon.

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Alewives At Edgartown.

The Times correspondent at Edgartown reports that 40 barrels of alewives were taken there the past three nights and shipped to Boston and New Bedford.

The Digby Fisheries.

The value of Digby County, N. S., fisheries for January was \$38,745 and of Shelburne Co., \$56,517.

Mar. 25.

Halibut Sale

The halibut fare of sch. John Hays Hammond sold to the American Halibut Company at 11 cents a pound for white and 9 cents a pound for gray.

Capt. Spinney to Resume Command.

Capt. Richard Wadding was in command of the sch. John Hays Hammond on last trip out. Capt. Lemuel E. Spinnew will now take charge again.

In Good Hands.

Capt. Lovitt W. Hines has gone to Jordan Bay, N. F., to represent the owners of the wrecked sch. Patrician.